EAA's Young Eagles

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Congratulations Young Eagle!

Welcome to the world of recreational aviation and the exciting EAA Young Eagles Program. As a Young Eagle, you've done something that many people never get the chance to do—ride in an airplane.

That makes you special. Your name has been entered in the World's Largest Logbook at the EAA AirVenture Museum in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. If you visit the museum, stop by the Young Eagles exhibit and show your family and friends the log book, which now includes your name and the day you went for your Young Eagles Flight. The logbook is also available on the World Wide Web at www.youngeagles.org so you can check it out from home or school and see the other activities available to Young Eagles.

In recognition of your new status as a Young Eagle, additional information about aviation activities is enclosed in this book. This information will help you continue to explore the exciting world of aviation.

Again, congratulations Young Eagle.
Welcome to the awesome world of aviation.

Happy Flying!

Chuck Yeager

Gen. Chuck Yeager
Young Eagles Chairman

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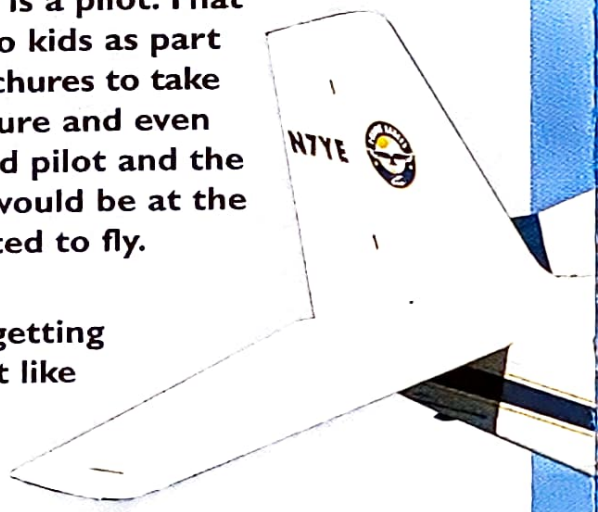
My Day

In the Sky...

As the ground dropped away, I felt excited but still a little scared. You see, I had never been in a small airplane before. Flying on an airline was something that I had done a couple of times when my family went to see my grandparents in Florida. This time, though, I was right up front next to the pilot.

Young Eagles was something I'd never heard about before this fall. One of our fifth-grade teachers has a sister who is a pilot. That teacher said her sister gave free airplane rides to kids as part of something called Young Eagles. We all got brochures to take home to our parents. My parents read the brochure and even called my teacher, who said her sister was a good pilot and the flights were very safe. My teacher also said she would be at the airport Saturday to help with the kids who wanted to fly.



On my way to the airport with my mom, I was getting more nervous. What if I got up there and I didn't like it? What if I got sick? That's dumb, I thought. I ride everything at the carnival and I'm fine.

At the airport I saw my teacher and met her sister, Natalie, who was our pilot. She was younger than my teacher but she seemed real friendly. When it was my turn, we walked around the airplane and she showed me how everything worked. Then we got inside the airplane and shut the door. Natalie told me to fasten the seat belt and showed me the checklist she uses to make sure everything's safe before she flies.

Natalie started the engine and we moved to the end of the runway. For a while she got real serious. Suddenly we sped up and after a couple of seconds we started to fly. I didn't even feel it at first.

We flew around our town and Natalie relaxed

again. She asked me if I could find my school and my house from the air. The school was easy to find but my house was tough with all the trees around it. Natalie explained what all the dials did in the airplane and even let me turn it once. I was sort of scared to do that but Natalie kept her hands on the controls, too, and talked me through it.

This actually was becoming fun. We flew for about 20 minutes although it seemed like just a couple minutes. I didn't want to land yet, but there were other kids waiting for a ride. I asked Natalie if we could go flying again some time and she said, "Sure! Maybe we can even take your mom along."

Natalie also said she was about my age when her uncle gave her the first airplane ride she ever had. Ever since then, she knew she wanted to fly. Now that she can fly she wants to let kids know that it's something they can do someday, too. That's why she flies Young Eagles, because it's a lot of fun to share flying with people.

My mom says I keep talking about flying now. Hopefully Natalie and I will go flying again real soon. I won't be so scared next time.

The Next Step

Explore The Possibilities

The EAA Air Academy Summer Youth Camp programs offer the opportunity for youth ages 12 to 18 to further their exploration of flight. All Air Academy activities take place on the EAA campus in Oshkosh Wis., which includes the Air Academy Lodge residence facility, the AirVenture Museum, Pioneer Airport and the new Buehler Leadership Center. The goal of EAA's Air Academy is to make your youth camp program the most memorable week of your life.

EAA Aviation Fun Camp (12 & 13 year olds)

The camp consists of two 5-day sessions each summer that feature boys and girls building and flying their own plastic hot air balloon, flying a U-control plane, building and launching a level "A" model rocket, and taking flight in an EAA aircraft from Pioneer Airport. This fun week will literally "fly by" and be over much too soon.

EAA Aviation Experience Camp (14 & 15 year olds)

Three 6-day sessions are held during the summer. Experience is the key word as the week features activities and adventures that you've only dreamed about. You will design, build and then fly a high performance kite. Build and launch a complex model rocket. You'll give flight to a colorful hot-air balloon model and in the process learn to be part of a team, become a leader and be an effective communicator. Plus EAA will give you a flight in one of their unique aircraft. Much too soon your Air Academy experience will be over and you'll be heading home with plenty of memories, a host of new skills and a group of friends for life.

EAA Advanced/Leadership Camp (16 - 18 year olds)

For 16 to 18 year olds there is EAA Advanced Leadership Camp. Two 9-day sessions combine many important elements. It'll be a hands-on session that will both challenge and enhance your leadership skills. Sure you'll eat, sleep and experience aviation both on the ground and in the air but you'll also interact with fellow participants and faculty improving your communication skills like you never thought possible. And these are the skills that will stay with you even after you turn in your rocket launcher and flight simulation control unit. This camp will provide you with the leadership skills and tools for a life of adventure in the skies and on the ground.

EAA First Flights Academy (15-17 year olds) & (Age 18 and over)

The focus of all activities of these programs will be to accomplish the FAA Private Pilot Groundschool written examination and dual flight training of up to 8 hours. Registration includes food and accommodations in the EAA Air Academy Lodge, recreational activities, instructional materials and up to 8 hours of dual flight instruction. Multimedia based Groundschool instruction. When participants are not with their flight instructor they will work on their groundschool in the Buehler Leadership Center Computer Laboratory.

EDUCATION NUMBER: 1-888-322-3229

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Check web site for updates at www.eaa.org

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KIDVENTURE

Each year, the world of aviation gathers in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, for a celebration of flight called EAA AirVenture. Within the excitement of this event is an area specially designed for future aviators called KidVenture. The KidVenture Campus, located right outside the EAA AirVenture Museum's Eagle Hangar is a great place for the whole family. There are a variety of supervised activities ranging from pedal-powered airplanes on the deck of the USS KidVenture to balsa gliders, Estes model rocket building and a chance to try your hand at flying a control-line model airplane. Plus, there are experts and aviation celebrities on hand to answer your questions about flying. From balloons to jets, if you like flying KidVenture is for you!

For more information visit www.kidventure.org

WILD BLUE WONDERS

Wild Blue Wonders takes the magic of flight to new heights. Utilizing a team approach, middle school-age Young Eagles learn more about science, math and aviation. There are five missions outlined to challenge your "Flight Crew's" problem-solving abilities. Each mission will challenge you to work together for a successful outcome. In addition to the excitement of working together to complete the missions, each Wild Blue Wonders team is also eligible to participate in local and regional competitions, culminating in the national competition held each summer during EAA AirVenture Oshkosh.

For more information visit www.wildbluewonders.org

PROGRAMS

EAA's Countdown to Kitty Hawk

The Wright Brothers left their footprints in the North Carolina sand...and their mark on the world.

Their remarkable achievement ranks among the most significant moments in human history. It made our world smaller and broadened our perspective on places, people and our own potential. It dramatically transformed the way we live and how we work. The Wright Brothers gave us not only flight, but with it the promise of higher possibilities and greater dreams.

EAA's Countdown to Kitty Hawk is a centennial celebration of the Wright brothers' first powered flight—an innovation that forever changed our world. Led by EAA, presented by Ford Motor Company, and supported by Microsoft Flight Simulator and Eclipse Aviation, this yearlong series of events honors the innovation and determination it takes to make world-changing dreams a reality. EAA's Countdown to Kitty Hawk features an interactive touring pavilion and the world's most-accurate 1903 Wright brother's first flight at Kitty Hawk, N.C., on December 17, 2003—exactly 100 years later.

December 17, 1903 - 10:35 am

Kitty Hawk, North Carolina - The Wright Brothers of Dayton, Ohio, are the first to achieve sustained powered flight. Their historic innovation ushers forth a wave of transportation, communication, and commercial advancements. The world is forever changed; Lindbergh, Earhart, Yeager, Armstrong and Glenn follow.

December 17, 2003 - 10:35 am / Centennial of Flight

Kitty Hawk, North Carolina – EAA will lead an international celebration of flight as an authentic reproduction of the 1903 Wright Flyer takes flight at the 100 year to-the-minute anniversary before tens of thousands on hand and hundreds of millions watching live around the world. The flight will take place at the exact site; now the Wright Brother's National Memorial (NPS). And at noon that day, EAA's Young Eagle program—a multi-year initiative to fly one million kids before the centennial of flight—will culminate with retired Brigadier General Chuck Yeager's flight of the one-millionth Young Eagle.

For more information visit www.countdowntokittyhawk.org

Other Opportunities

Boy Scouts of America: National Office-Aviation Careers, 1325 West Walnut Hill Lane, Irving, TX 75015-2079, Phone: (972) 580-2000.

4-H Aerospace Program: 211 Duncan Hall, ACES, Auburn University, AL 36849-5620

FAA ACE Camps: One-week aviation programs for high school students. 800 Independence Ave. SW, Washington DC 20591

Academy of Model Aeronautics: 5151 E. Memorial Dr., Muncie, IN 47302. Phone: (765) 287-1256

ROTC programs: Offered in many high schools throughout the country as an elective subject. Stresses citizenship, leadership and self-esteem.

U.S. Air Force Junior ROTC: HQ F ROTC/DOJ, 551 E Maxwell Blvd., Maxwell, AL 36112-6106. Phone: (334) 953-7513.

U.S. Army Junior ROTC: Attn: ATCC-HS, Ft. Monroe, VA 23651-5000.

U.S. Navy Junior ROTC: Chief of Naval Education & Training, NJROTC 250 Dallas St., Pensacola, FL 32508-5220.

U.S. Air Force Academy Liaison Office: Admission Office, 2304 Cadet Dr. Suite 215, USAF Academy, CO 80840-5025. Phone: (719) 333-3070.

Civil Air Patrol (CAP): CAP's mission is three fold; Aerospace education, Cadet program and Emergency services, including search and rescue. The Cadet program is offered to ages 12–18. For more information, access: www.cap.af.mil, write to: HQ CAP/DPM, 105 S. Hansell St., Maxwell AFB, AL 36112-6332. Phone: 1-800- "FLY"-2338.

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